

## ARTICLE V. UNSAFE BUILDINGS

### Sec. 7-136. Adopted.

The code published by the International Conference of Building Officials entitled Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings 1994 edition, hereinafter called "dangerous buildings code," by this reference is hereby incorporated herein as and for the rules, regulations and standards within the city as to all matters therein contained.

(Ord. No. 754, § 5, 11-12-86; Ord. No. 838, § 5, 1-8-91; Ord. No. 899, § 1, 12-18-95)

### Secs. 7-137—7-159. Reserved.

## ARTICLE VI. RESERVED\*

### Secs. 7-160—7-178. Reserved.

## ARTICLE VII. STRUCTURES OF HISTORIC OR AESTHETIC VALUE†

### Sec. 7-179. Purpose declared.

The purpose of this article is to preserve, enhance, and perpetuate for the benefit of the general public those buildings, structures, and areas having special historical or aesthetic interest or value which contribute to community aesthetics and identity, and to prescribe the procedure for altering, relocating, and demolishing those structures so classified.

(Ord. No. 865, § 1, 8-25-92)

**\*Editor's note**—See the editor's footnote at the beginning of this chapter

**State law references**—Authority to prevent unsafe structures, Gov. Code, § 38660(c); provide for abatement of unsafe structures, § 38660(d).

**†Editor's note**—Section 1 of Ord. No. 865, adopted Aug. 25, 1992, amended Ch. 7, Art. VII to read as herein set out. Prior to such amendment, Art VII consisted of §§ 7-179—7-185, which pertained to structures of historic or aesthetic value and derived from §§ 1—7 of Ord. No. 513, adopted July 23, 1973.

### Sec. 7-180. Definitions.

For the purposes of this article, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

**Alter.** The term "alter" or "alteration" shall mean a physical change to the exterior of a landmark or a historic resource including, but not limited to, building additions and change of exterior building materials. It shall not include replacement of windows, doors, roofing and exterior materials with similar or comparable building materials, repair, maintenance, painting and landscaping.

**Adaptive reuse.** The term "adaptive reuse" shall mean the alteration or conversion of a structure for another permitted or conditional use in the respective zoning district.

**Certificate of appropriateness.** The term "certificate of appropriateness" or "certificate" shall mean a certificate granted by the planning commission or city council for the alteration, relocation or demolition of a landmark or historic resource.

**Demolish.** The term "demolish" or "demolition" shall mean the razing or destruction, whether entirely or in significant part, of a building or structure.

**Hearing body.** The term "hearing body" shall mean the Planning Commission or City Council of the City of Belmont.